

## REMARKS

The Examiner has identified Groups I and II as follows:

Group I: claims 1-20 drawn to a method and apparatus to treat an influent solution, classified in class 205, subclass 742; and

Group II: claims 21-58 drawn to a method and apparatus to treat an influent solution comprising ions, classified in class 204, subclass 520.

Applicant elects the claims of Group I as identified by the Examiner, namely claims 1-20 drawn to a method and apparatus to treat an influent solution, without prejudice or disclaimer. The election of Group I is not traversed.

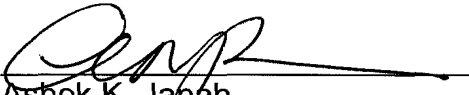
As recognized by the Examiner, the claims covered by this election are claims 1-20.

Respectfully submitted,

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